

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, In 1883, with eight charter members and a simple beginning, the legendary Lennox Municipal Band was created in order to add a bit of culture and musical pleasure to a sometimes bleak existence in a small prairie town; and,

Whereas, In 1887, the band made its first out-of-town appearance and from that time on has performed extensively in towns and cities throughout the state of South Dakota and western Iowa in order to serenade newly married couples or entertain at wedding anniversaries, political rallies, fairs, and celebrations too numerous to name; and,

Whereas, The Lennox Municipal Band has celebrated its golden, diamond jubilee, and 100th anniversary since its formation and holds the distinction of being the oldest continuous musical organization in South Dakota, and among the older of such groups in the nation; and,

Whereas, The Lennox Municipal Band members have served unselfishly and untiringly for 120 years to promote their community, culturally and economically; and,


Whereas, The Lennox Municipal Band will be honored as the 3rd living legend on August 16, 2003, following the Riverboat Days Parade with a performance and presentation on the corner of 3rd Street and Walnut at Yankton, South Dakota:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim August 16, 2003, as


LENNOX MUNICIPAL BAND DAY

in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Fourteenth Day of August in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Three.


M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:


Chris Nelson, Secretary of State

Chad W. Heinrich, Deputy

